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Areas of Practice

- Public listed company disputes
- Urgent injunctive relief
- Shareholder disputes and minority oppression
- Company general meetings
- Directors' duties
- Trusts law
- Investment recovery
- White collar crime and regulatory defence work
- Crisis management and special projects
- Trial and appellate advocacy work

Nichol, is an experienced litigator, focused on civil, commercial and company disputes.

Since the start of his career, Nichol has been involved in complex and high-profile cases. Recognised twice as a leading 40-under-40 lawyer in the region ([LexisNexis, 2023](#) and [Asian Legal Business, 2024](#)), Nichol has received many awards and accolades for his litigation work ([Benchmark Litigation 2025](#), [AsiaLaw 2025](#), Straits Times Best Law Firms Top 20 Lawyers, 2024). Described as "*sharp and attentive*" (Legal 500, 2018 ed), Nichol has earned the trust and confidence of many clients. He is an effective and confident communicator, both in Court and with his clients.

Nichol is regularly briefed to take on urgent and critical work. He has built a reputation as a good litigator with clients and fellow lawyers. His clients have praised his solutions as pragmatic and commercially sensible.

Nichol is regularly engaged by publicly listed companies, MNCs, SMEs, investment funds, directors, and HNWI's. His practice is focused on company and shareholder disputes, urgent injunctive relief, crisis litigation, disputes involving trusts law, hostile takeovers and disputes involving listed companies.

Nichol is also often instructed by other lawyers for his trial advocacy skills, to take on trials and cross-examination. He is equally comfortable in a role as instructing counsel, and frequently works with foreign counsel in cross-border disputes.

Besides his active litigation practice, Nichol is also experienced in corporate transactional work, having acted as lead transaction counsel in Singapore and abroad. His experience in transactional work gives him an added edge in his litigation practice.

Notable Experience and Cases

2026 **CONTENTIOUS** Successfully invoked the privilege of self-incrimination against a court application for pre-action discovery in a high-profile cryptocurrency case.

2025 **CONTENTIOUS** Successfully obtained an urgent injunction that was obtained at short notice (within 24 hours) to restraining the holding of an EGM of a SME. This maintained the Board control of the SME.

CONTENTIOUS Successfully obtained a worldwide Mareva injunction for S\$ 1.7 million in a claim by the executrix of an estate.

CONTENTIOUS Represented an accused person convicted of murder under Section 300(c) of the Penal Code on appeal. Involved in the arguments on the defence of sudden fight.

CONTENTIOUS Successfully defended a striking out order on appeal. The claim that was struck out involved an ex-director of an SGX listed company claiming for fraudulent misrepresentation.

CONTENTIOUS Instructed as counsel for a worldwide Mareva injunction arising out of matrimonial proceedings. The assets involved exceeded the sum of S\$ 100 million.

CONTENTIOUS Successful applied for and obtained a worldwide Mareva injunction against a defendant in respect of purported gifts obtained. The injunction prohibited the defendant from disposing or dealing with assets up to S\$ 10.2 million.

2023 **CONTENTIOUS** Acted for a white knight investor in the resuscitation efforts of a company listed on SGX's Catalist board in a dispute with its shareholders.

CONTENTIOUS Successfully represented USP Group Limited, an SGX-Mainboard listed company, on a question of law on the "membership" of a company, which arose from a EGM requisition under section 176 of the Companies Act seeking to replace the directors on the company's Board of Directors.

2022 **CONTENTIOUS** Represented Three Arrows Capital Limited and Three Arrows Capital Pte Ltd, dealing with the cryptocurrency collapse in 2022, involving sums of more than US\$ 3 billion.

CONTENTIOUS Successfully conducted an Estate's defence in a high-profile trial involving a claim against the Estate by the deceased man's friends, involving assets of more than SG\$ 4.6 million.

TRANSACTIONAL Advised and represented Lincotrade and Associates Pte Ltd, in its successful RTO on SGX.

2021 **CONTENTIOUS** Acted for the deputy of a plaintiff who lost mental capacity, to successfully obtain and maintain a Mareva injunction in support of a claim of approximately SG\$ 9 million of assets, went on to substantially recover most of the assets at trial, which involved expert evidence on medical and mental capacity and forensic handwriting analysis.

2020 **CONTENTIOUS** Successfully represented a group of shareholders to seek relief from Court for an EGM of an SGX-listed company to be convened for the removal of one of its Executive Officers. The case involved multiple applications for injunctive relief and allegations of breaches of the Companies Act and the Catalist Listing Rules.

2019 **TRANSACTIONAL** Acted as lead transaction counsel in the sale and purchase of a group of logistics companies spread over Asia by a company listed on the Thailand Stock Exchange, with a transaction value of HK\$ 110 million.

2018 **CONTENTIOUS** Represented an accused person in one of the largest marine gas oil thefts in Singapore, at the Shell Pulau Bukom refinery, involving a loss valued at more than SG\$ 100 million.

2016 **CONTENTIOUS** Advised and represented a substantial group of bondholders in the SG\$ 225 million Trikonsel bond default saga.

CONTENTIOUS Represented another substantial group of bondholders in the default of SG\$ 200 million worth of SGX-listed bonds issued by Pacific Andes Resources Development Ltd.

2015 **CONTENTIOUS** Represented 2 SGX-listed companies in launching defamation claims against a major publication in Singapore in connection with the penny stock crash.

2014 **CONTENTIOUS** Advised and represented a beneficiary in relation to a dispute involving the interpretation of a Will, with the Estate's valued at more than SG\$ 10 million.

CONTENTIOUS Advised and represented a mega-church in a high-profile criminal investigation leading up to what was then one of the longest trials in Singapore, against its ex-executive members.

CONTENTIOUS Advised and represented the founders of various prominent tech startups, including oBike Asia Pte Ltd and Honestbee Pte Ltd.

Judgments

2025

- Sw Chan Kit v Ntegrator Holdings Ltd (SGHC 16)
 - Tia Oon Lai v Sock Kiu Sally (personal representative of Su Ye Chu, deceased) and ors (SGHC 108)
 - Koh Chong Chiah v MCST 4111 (SGDC 146)
 - Ng Yu Zhi v Public Prosecutor (SGHC 127)
 - Zhong Shan Strategic Fund v RG Strategy Fund VCC (SGHC 174)
 - Nanyang Commercial Management Pte Ltd v Matex International Ltd (SGHC 190)
 - Paulus Tannos v The State (SGHC 229)
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2024

- Public Prosecutor v Leu Xing-Long (SGDC 137)
 - Tan Cheng Cheng (as co-administratrix of the estate of Spencer Tuppani, deceased) and 2 Ors v Shamlal s/o Tuppani Bisaysar and Tham Poh Kwai (SGHC 181)
 - Public Prosecutor v Tan Sen Yang (SGHC 201)
 - AP Automotive Services Pte Ltd v Liew Nyok Wah (SGHC 246)
 - DJK and ors v DJN (SGHC 309)
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2023

- Quek Peng Hock Henry (suing by his deputy and litigation representative, Quek Lee Tiam) v Chia Swee Hun (SGHC 162)
 - Tanoto Sau Ian and USP Group Limited v USP Group Limited and (1) Hinterland Energy Pte Ltd; (2) Harmonic Brothers Pte Ltd; (3) Hia Yi Heng; (4) Lim Shi Wei (SGHC 106)
 - Er Kok Yong and Anor v Tan Cheng Cheng (as co-administratrix of the estate of Spencer Tuppani, deceased) and 2 Ors (SGHC 38)
 - Gazelle Ventures Pte Ltd v Lim Yong Sim and Ors (SGHC 328)
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2022

- Shinhan Investment Corp v Yap Shi Wen and Ors (SGHC 63)
- Darco Water Technologies Ltd v Thye Kim Meng (SGHC 49)
- Lau Yaw Ben v Lau Wee Hion and Anor (SGHC 130)

2021

- PT Karya Indo Batam v Wang Zhenwen and Ors 5 (SLR 1381)
 - Mirae Asset Daewoo Co, Ltd v Sng Zhiwei Joel (SGHC 166)
 - Public Prosecutor v Tan Kok Meng (SLR 507)
 - Public Prosecutor v Lim Kah Huat (SGMC 92)
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2019

- VAA v VAB (SGFC 92)
 - Jocelyn Rita d/o Lawrence Stanley v Tan Gark Chong (SGHC 125)
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2018

- AYP Pte Ltd v AYQ (SCAdjR 158)
 - Tarkus Interiors Pte Ltd v The Working Capitol (Robinson) Pte Ltd (SGHC 105)
 - AYZ v AZA Pte Ltd (SCAdjR 304)
 - Hiap Seng Press (Pte) Ltd v The MCST Plan No. 246 (SGSTB 5)
 - The Working Capitol (Robinson) Pte Ltd (in liq) v Capitol Concepts Pte Ltd (SGHC 214)
 - Tang Ying and Ors v Chen Mingliang and Ors (SGHC 226)
 - Evotech (Asia) Pte Ltd v Kot Tat Lee and another (SGHC 252)
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2017

- Public Prosecutor v Lee Yong Zhi (SGDC 82)
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2015

- City Harvest Church v AMAC Capital Partners and another (SGHC 299)
- Lim Yew Ming v Aik Chuan Construction Pte Ltd and Ors (SLR 931)

Publications

- **2026** - Contributor, [Lexology](#), "Year in review: Complex Commercial Litigation in Singapore"
- **2025** - Contributor, *Woon's Corporations Law, "Insolvency, Restructuring and Dissolution Act 2018"*
- **2024** - "Singapore Courts Adopt Robust Approach to Validating Awards", *Law Asia* (with Colin Seow Chambers LLC)

Appointments and Memberships



Asia Network International Co. Ltd

Independent Director, also
**Chairman of Nominating and
Remuneration Committee**, also
Member of Audit Committee



Figtree Holdings Limited

Independent Director, also
Chairman of Nominating Committee,
also **Member of Audit Committee
and Remuneration Committee**



Thai Institute of Directors

Member



Singapore Academy of Law

Member



Law Society of Singapore

Member



Board of Nam Sieng Dragon and
Lion Dance Activity Centre

Legal advisor